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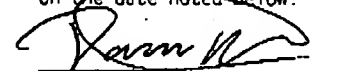
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**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.116  
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This is responsive to the Final Office Action mailed  
September 22, 2004, the term for response to which expires on  
December 22, 2004.

**Amendments to the Claims** are set forth in the listing of  
claims which begins on page 2 of this paper. Claims 1, 3-6, 9,  
11-19, 21, 22, 24 and 26-30 are canceled; claims 2, 7, 8, 10, 20,  
23 and 25 are amended; and claim 31 is maintained.

**Remarks** begin on page 10 of this paper.

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